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Released under the John F. Kennedy Assassination Records Collection Act of 1992 (44 USC 2107 Note 0.36 (FDATE 22-14)-14-2017 FBI Date: 3/3/75 Transmit the following in (Type in plaintext or code) AIRTEL AIRMAIL (Priority) DIRECTOR, FBI (92-2781) FROM: LEGAT, MEXICO CITY (92-18) (P) SANTO TRAFFICANTE, JR., aka SUBJECT: ANTI-RACKETEERING Re Mexico City letter dated 8/22/74 and teletype dated 2/27/75. 1449 --Referenced Mexico City letter dated 8/22/74 indicates dates of entry and departure from Costa Rica by the subject. A further check of the files of the Costa Rican Immigration Service at San Jose, Costa Rica, on 2/26/75 indicated the following: Entered Departed 3/29/74 4/9/74 4/11/74 5/5/74 5/9/74 5/14/74 6/21/747/26/74 A thorough check was made of the record indicating subject had departed 7/26/74 inasmuch as this departure had originally been filed as 7/21/74. Records of the LACSA Airline were located for 7/26/74. LACSA Flight #611 which departed San Jose, Costa Rica, for Panama City, Panama, listed passenger SANTO TRAFFICANTE, Tourist Permit #378394, JOSEPH TRAFFICANTE, Tourist Permit #378397, and SANTO PANIELLO, Tourist Permit #396005, as passengers. Further checks were made with reference to the July 21 date previously reported and no record was found indicating that subject or either of (6)- Bureau (1 - Fóreign Liaison Unit) (2 - Miami) (92-88)(1 - Tampa) (Info) (92-1) Mexico City (1 - 162 - 8)AAC:sls (8)Sent. Special Agent in Charge U. S. GOVERNMENT PRÎNTING OFFICE: 1971 – 413 – 135

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the other two individuals accompanying him had departed Costa Rica on that date

Landing cards and airline passenger manifests for the period September, 1974, to date are not currently in the files.

MIGUEL HERNANDEZ (protect, a part-time employee of the U.S. Embassy in San Jose, Costa Rica) who is in a position to obtain such information advised on 2/26/75 that SANTO TRAFFICANTE is a close associate of LAZARO MILIAN DID, a Cuban national who formerly ran a bolita operation in the Miami, Florida area and who is currently a Bureau fugitive.

MILIAN DID and EVARISTO GARCIA VIDAL (also a Bureau fugitive) and EVARISTO GARCIA SARMIENTO all currently reside in San Jose, Costa Rica, and enjoy the confidence and protection of high Costa Rican officials. They have established a retail clothing business which has proven extremely profitable and currently have five stores in Costa Rica and reportedly have opened a store in Managua, Nicaragua.

Source advised that LAZARO MILIAN DID recently opened a night club in San Jose known as the "Bellevue" located on Central Avenue. The night club is lavishly furnished and reportedly caters to an expensive trade. Source stated that SANTO TRAFFICANTE is close to MILIAN DID and reportedly assisted in financing in the opening of the night club.

Source stated that he has not seen TRAFFICANTE in the Costa Rica area for some time. He stated that it was probably August or September of last year when TRAFFICANTE last visited Costa Rica. He advised, however, that TRAFFICANTE is expected back inasmuch as TRAFFICANTE's automobile, a 1974 green Oldsmobile, was left in Costa Rica and is currently being driven by the wife of LAZARO MILIAN DID. Source advised that the last time TRAFFICANTE was in Costa Rica he was hospitalized in the Clinica Biblica for an eye operation.

Source advised that GARCIA VIDAL reportedly also owns a part of the Bellevue night club. Source stated that GARCIA SARMIENTO is reportedly working as a journalist and writes anti-communist articles. Source stated that this individual was recently invited to Chile by the current government of that country.

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## MEXICO CITY

## AT SAN JOSE, COSTA RICA:

- 1) Will attempt to check records of the Clinica Biblica (Biblica Hospital) where subject reportedly was treated or operated on in connection with a problem with his eyesight.
- 2) Will recheck files of Costa Rican Immigration Service for any additional data concerning entry or departure by the subject from the country

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